

## CONTRACT JUMPERS TO BE EXPELLED

This Does Not Apply to All  
Members of Fraternity  
Who Join Feds.

## RESERVE CLAUSE NOT BINDING IN CASE

Committee of Players Issues General  
Report on Granting of  
Their Demands in Cincinnati.

David L. Fultz, president of the Baseball Players' Fraternity, returned yesterday from Cincinnati, where his efforts for recognition before the National Commission met with so much success.

In addition to talking on what had been accomplished, he declared emphatically that members of the fraternity who "jumped" to the Federal League while under contract to any club in organized baseball would be expelled, but that those who signed with the outlaws, where bound only by the reserve clause, would keep their standing.

Mr. Fultz was enthusiastic over the good work accomplished in Cincinnati and declared that the results exceeded the expectations of many of the players. He said that members of the commission were courteous in their treatment of the players, with one exception, and that the utmost good feeling prevailed.

In having twelve of the requests granted as made, with three modified and only two withdrawn by the fraternity, he insisted that a victory had not been dreamed of, and predicted that from time to time reforms might be worked which would greatly benefit the players.

Mr. Fultz was particularly pleased with the granting of request No. 17, which provides that a club cannot release a man to a league in a lower class without first offering every other club in the same class a chance to secure his services, which will work for the betterment of conditions. He brought out that frequently managers sent a veteran back to the minor leagues and used him in a trade for a young, promising player, when another club of higher classification might have taken him, and thus lengthened his stay in fast company.

In the way of a general report to all players the committee which represented the fraternity at Cincinnati issued the following statement:

"We believe that in the Cincinnati conference of January 6 the ball players won a victory which a year ago could not have been dreamed of.

Twelve of our requests were granted, three modified and two withdrawn. Eight of ten of them were opposed very vigorously, but with the utmost frankness and good feeling.

"We met for more opposition from the minor league representatives than from the National Commission, and were, therefore, unable to do as much for our minor league members as we had hoped. But even as it is they will be materially helped.

"These representatives we felt were sincere in their belief that an undue hardship would be placed upon them unless some requests were modified, and as we had no disposition to bring this about we waived the points.

"The treatment accorded us, except in the offensive attitude of one of the conferees, was all that we could have asked. We were met in a fair, cordial and dignified manner, which, in view of the strained relations previously existing, was gratifying in the extreme."

The statement was signed by John P. Henry, Edward M. Reulbach, Jacob E. Gantner, John H. Miller, Ray W. Collins and David L. Fultz.

The "offensive attitude" referred to Ran Johnson, who loves not Mr. Fultz or any lawyer, for that matter, according to a speech he made at Gary Herrmann's dinner.

Ray Mow, the young shortstop from the Troy club, who was tried out by the Superbas toward the close of last season, declares that he will not accept the offer made him to play with the Federal League. Mow is wintering at Rochester, Ind., and hopes to be the regular shortstop for the Brooklyn club next year that Joe Tinker has been lost.

John ("Dots") Miller, last year with the Pirates, reached his home in Kearny, N. J., from Cincinnati, yesterday, and declared that he had not been approached by any representative of the Federal League while in the West.

He said he had met a representative of the St. Louis club, to which he had been traded by Pittsburgh, that terms had been given and they were very satisfactory.

George Tyler, the star southpaw pitcher of the Boston Braves, says he will jump to the Federal League if traded to St. Louis. Some players just love St. Louis.

## YANKEES GET BEST PITCHER IN TEXAS

Best Left-Hander, Anyway, or So  
Charley Rose Was Called  
Down Houston Way.

Charles Rose, called the best left-handed pitcher in Texas, signed a contract yesterday with the New York Yankees. He pitched for the pennant-winning Houston team last season, and his work so attracted Frank Chance that Arthur Irwin was sent South to look him over in July.

Rose was a big sensation even then, and as the fight for the pennant became more exciting the southpaw continued to improve until he pitched several victories in the bag end of the campaign that practically settled the championship.

Rose pitched for Houston during the season of 1912, but it was not until last year that he showed real class. Then he ranked third in the winning percentages, with .753. He pitched in thirty-three games, winning twenty-six and losing seven. He occupied the box during 250 innings, facing 1,046 batters, allowing 66 runs and 235 hits. He struck out 100 batters, walked 111, hit 11 and didn't make a wild pitch. He was taken out of nine games and finished three for other pitchers.

Rose is twenty-five years old, 5 feet 8½ inches tall and weighs 160 pounds. He signed his contract at Marceline, Ohio, where he is wintering, and President Farrell received it yesterday.

R. J. Kelly, a local semi-professional infielder, who was signed by the New York Yankees last fall, was sold yesterday to the Lowell club of the New England League.

## Walter Johnson Shuns Big Offer

Chicago, Jan. 8.—Walter Johnson, the famous Washington pitcher, has refused an offer of a salary of \$30,000 for three years and a bonus of \$10,000, made by Joe Tinker, manager of the Chicago Federal League team.

Tinker announced this fact today. Johnson said he "was sorry, but had already signed with Washington, and would not jump his contract."

A similar offer was made "Smoky" Joe Wood, pitcher of the Boston Red Sox, but he also declined because he had already signed with his team.

## PARTING SHOTS

Charlie Ebbets will by no means lose the \$15,000 which he paid to the Cincinnati Reds for Joe Tinker, but it looks as though he were out two first class players in Yingling and Moran. The former, while a pitcher of merit, has all the earmarks of a whole of a hitter if he once gets to doing regular duty in the outfield. His batting average of .381 last season put him in a class by himself. Good men will be priceless commodities by the time the Federal League has captured enough to make eight teams. Before everything is settled Ebbets will have paid well for the advertising he was so anxious to get.

No one has any sympathy for Mexico these days. They now want to get Jack Johnson and "Gumbo" Smith down there for a championship fight in July. By that time the country will be in such a state that it won't care what happens.

Walter Johnson, who is raising fancy chickens this winter, stopped operations long enough to turn down a flattering offer from the outlaws the other day. Proving that a bird in the hand, etc.

Hans Wagner, Joe Wood and a lot of the others are showing no interest in the Federal League. But they have been collecting their money and had just as soon take "organized" money as any other in the future.

What a glorious year this would have been for Ty Cobb to start something. Hereafter he has always been one of our cheeriest hold-outs. When everybody else is in an uproar, the "Georgia Peach" has not a word to say. He evidently wants to be the whole thing or else hold his peace completely.

At last the outlaws have struck at the American League, taking "King" Cole from the Yankees. For a time it looked as though they intended to centre all their fire on the Tender organization.

Speaking of supreme confidence, New York University students are fighting to keep Jake High, the football coach who piloted the team through a whole season without its scoring a single point. Yet Yale feels as though it must get a new rowing coach every year.

John Henry, the catcher of the Washington Senators, is making good use of his time during the off months. He has taken hold of a green hockey team at Amherst and beat it into such condition that the seven went down to Boston and played Harvard the other night, holding the Crimson to a score of 1 to 0.

Australian air must have a tonic effect on the Giants. They have been walloping the White Sox in spirited fashion recently. McGraw better bottle some of the atmosphere and bring it home for use in the next world's series.

Heinie Zimmerman is keeping in strict training this winter. He expects to get a little exercise in leading the grand march at the ball of the Hunts Point Athletic Club to-morrow night.

All the wrestlers who will appear in a coming tournament at the Garden are of "great reputation," says a press agent. So are most of the "white hopes."

Earl Yingling says he would rather play with the Federal than with Cincinnati after all. Bill Dahlen did have one brain man on his team besides Jake Danbert.

## PENN FOOTBALL MEN OUT Trying to Teach "Strong Man" Fine Points of the Game.

Philadelphia, Jan. 8.—In an effort to teach Michael Dorzas, the Greek athlete and champion strong man of the university, how to play football, members of the University of Pennsylvania squad today appeared in regulation togs on Franklin Field.

George Brooke was on the field and discussed plans for winter and spring training. He has offered three prizes for the men who show the greatest increase in speed at the close of the winter's work.

## PRESS ERASMUS SWIMMERS Commercial Boys Beaten After a Struggle in Pool.

Erasmus Hall High School did not have the easy time it had anticipated in defeating the Commercial High School in a dual aquatic swim at the Fourth Avenue Baths, Brooklyn, yesterday by a score of 21 to 22.

Robert Long, the Beff and Blue captain, was absent, and his mates had to do their best to make up for his loss. The Commercial score was the highest made against a public school this season, and the boys showed decided improvement over their former races.

Erasmus Hall, second; Commercial, first. 100-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 1:12. 200-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 2:25. 400-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 5:10. 800-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 10:40. 1,600-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 21:30. 3,200-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 43:00. 4,800-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 1:00:00. 6,400-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 1:30:00. 8,000-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 2:00:00. 9,600-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 2:30:00. 11,200-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 3:00:00. 12,800-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 3:30:00. 14,400-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 4:00:00. 16,000-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 4:30:00. 17,600-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 5:00:00. 19,200-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 5:30:00. 20,800-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 6:00:00. 22,400-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 6:30:00. 24,000-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 7:00:00. 25,600-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 7:30:00. 27,200-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 8:00:00. 28,800-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 8:30:00. 30,400-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 9:00:00. 32,000-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 9:30:00. 33,600-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 10:00:00. 35,200-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 10:30:00. 36,800-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 11:00:00. 38,400-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 11:30:00. 40,000-yard swim—Won by Erasmus Hall, 12:00:00.

James Horgan, of Erasmus, won the plunge for distance with 55 feet. He also won the form dive and was second in the 200-yard contest. Maier and George Goodstein, the captain, did heroic work for Commercial.

The summaries follow: 100-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 1:12. 200-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 2:25. 400-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 5:10. 800-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 10:40. 1,600-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 21:30. 3,200-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 43:00. 4,800-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 1:00:00. 6,400-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 1:30:00. 8,000-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 2:00:00. 9,600-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 2:30:00. 11,200-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 3:00:00. 12,800-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 3:30:00. 14,400-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 4:00:00. 16,000-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 4:30:00. 17,600-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 5:00:00. 19,200-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 5:30:00. 20,800-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 6:00:00. 22,400-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 6:30:00. 24,000-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 7:00:00. 25,600-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 7:30:00. 27,200-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 8:00:00. 28,800-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 8:30:00. 30,400-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 9:00:00. 32,000-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 9:30:00. 33,600-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 10:00:00. 35,200-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 10:30:00. 36,800-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 11:00:00. 38,400-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 11:30:00. 40,000-yard race—Won by Erasmus Hall, 12:00:00.

Final score—Erasmus Hall High School, 21 points; Commercial High School, 22 points.

## SOUNDS LIKE SUMMER TIME Giants Win in the Eleventh, Beating the White Sox.

Melbourne, Australia, Jan. 8.—The New York Giants defeated the Chicago White Sox here today by 4 runs to 3 in an eleven-inning game.

The Chicago team, in a game against a Victorian nine, won by 18 runs to 3. The American visitors proceeded to Adelaide this evening.

## CHICAGO FEDS AMBITIOUS New Park to Have a Seating Capacity for 20,000 Fans.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—The Chicago Federal League baseball park will have a seating capacity of 20,000 and will be larger than several in the major leagues, according to plans announced today.

Architects presented plans yesterday which call for a single deck grandstand with a seating capacity of 15,000, of which 2,000 will be box seats. Pavilions at either end of the main stand will give an additional capacity for about 4,000, and with the bleacher space available it is possible more than 20,000 can be seated. The new park will be ready for the opening of the 1915 season, league officials said.

## "KING" COLE JUMPS TO THE OUTLAWS

Yankees Thus Lose a Pitcher Who  
Promised to Bolster Up the  
Team This Year.

Joe Tinker announced in Chicago yesterday that "King" Cole, who gained fame as a pitcher for the Chicago Cubs in 1910, and who was drafted by the New York Yankees last fall, had jumped his contract with Chance's team and signed to play on the Chicago team of the Federal League next season.

Cole made a sensational start with the Cubs, and was heralded far and wide as another Mathewson in the making. His arm failed him, however, and he was released to the Columbus team of the American Association. There he did such good work that several major league teams tried to purchase him, but to no purpose.

Among the highest bidders for his services was Frank Farrell, owner of the New York Yankees, who offered \$30,000, only to be refused. When the drafting time arrived Mr. Farrell was more fortunate, but this piece of luck availed nothing as Cole has now fallen a victim to the outlaws.

## TO PLAY FOR BIG STAKES Sutton and Hoppe Will Clash at Billiards for \$2,000.

Chicago, Jan. 8.—Willie Hoppe and George Sutton will play 1,500 points at 182 ball game billiards here on February 23, to 25 under the direction of the Chicago Athletic Association for a stake of \$2,000. Sutton announced today that Hoppe had accepted his challenge for the match.

## JACK JOHNSON ON ROAD TO WEALTH

Says William Astor Chanler Has  
Guaranteed Purse of \$35,000  
for Bout with Moran.

Paris, Jan. 8.—Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion of the world, whose arm is still in splints, as the result of his last bout, said this afternoon, in reply to an inquiry, that, so far, he had not received a cable offer of money for a fight with "Gumbo" Smith on the Mexican side of the border of Lower California. He added:

"I am ready to fight if the offer meets my terms, which are \$35,000, but the fight must be subsequent to that which has been definitely fixed to take place in Paris during the first week of June against Frank Moran, the Pittsburgh heavyweight, for which William Astor Chanler, who is still in a hospital suffering from an injured leg, is guaranteeing me \$35,000."

"I expect toward the end of the same month to meet Sam Langford, provided the \$20,000 I demand be forthcoming."

Johnson says his broken arm, which has been radio-photographed, is progressing well, and the splints are to be removed on Saturday.

San Francisco, Jan. 8.—There will be no further negotiations for a fight at Tia Juana, Lower California, between Jack Johnson, the heavyweight champion of the world, and "Gumbo" Smith, until the outcome of Johnson's other fights is known.

The plan was that Johnson and Smith should fight across the Mexican border from San Diego on July 4.

## Baseball Problems for Fans by Billy Evans

Written Especially for The Tribune by the  
American League Umpire.

STEALING home is a play that invariably makes trouble for the umpire. There are so many different angles that can arise that there is almost sure to be some interference protest made one way or the other. Usually the play is close, and the team getting the wrong end of the decision has a kick coming on the question of judgment.

In a game in one of the minors last year there was a runner on third, with two down, and the pitcher up. The man on third was fairly fast, while the pitcher was a very weak hitter. With two strikes and no balls on the batter, the runner from third made a break for home on the next ball pitched. He had a pretty good start, and his chances for making the plate looked fair. The catcher, to his anxiety to retire the runner, rushed in front of the plate, received the ball before it had passed over the plate and retired the runner from third.

Not thinking, the umpire waved the runner out, but immediately allowed the run, as he realized where the catcher was when he received the ball. He declared a balk because the catcher had left the lines of his position. The declaring of the balk entitled the runner from third to score. Then another argument started. The batter insisted that he had intended hitting at the ball, and since the catcher had gone in front of the plate and received the sphere that player had interfered with his intention of hitting. The umpire then allowed the batsman to go to first because of the catcher's interference. There was a big kick, but the umpire stood firm. The next fellow up hit for a home run, winning the game.

What would you have done had you been in charge of the game, and did the umpire rule correctly?

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## Answer to Yesterday's Problem.

The play seldom comes up, and in a way was a rather peculiar one. The umpire would have acted more wisely, however, had he allowed the strike out. Since the ball struck the protector and bounced squarely into the air, Jackson really was struck out. Had the ball struck in the protector at the neck momentarily and then rolled out, Thomas making the catch before it struck the ground, the umpire would have been right in not allowing the out, as the protector would have aided in making the catch. The rebound must be direct for an out. Mack, to illustrate the play to the young umpire the next day, put the following question to him: "Say that a fly ball knocked to the outfield was lost in the sun and struck one of the players on the chest, bounced off and was caught by the other fielder, who was backing up, before the ball touched the ground; what would you do?" The umpire said he would declare the man out. Mack finally made him see the foul tip play in the same light.

## RITCHIE WANTS A FAT SUM TO MEET RIVERS IN RING

McCarey Would Hold Bout, but  
Thinks the Demands Are  
Overexorbitant.

## JOE MAY COME EAST SOON

Kenney, Who Meets Weinart at  
Brown's, Has Longer Reach  
than Any Other Boxer.

Efforts are being made to match Willie Ritchie, the lightweight champion of the world, and Joe Rivers, Tom McCarey, the veteran promoter of boxing in Los Angeles, has declared his willingness to hold the contest, but he is not inclined to yield to the exorbitant demands of Ritchie. The champion declares that he is ready to box Rivers, but demands the tidy sum of \$15,000 for his services.

Since Rivers was defeated by Ritchie in eleven rounds in San Francisco on July 4, last year, he has clamored for a return match. He said that he was not in proper condition to fight for the championship, but that, given another chance, would easily reverse the decision. It was intimated by some of his more enthusiastic backers that some unfeeling person dropped something in little Joe's tea, but this report was never credited.

There is little doubt that a second meeting of the men, with Rivers in his best condition, would result in an interesting bout all the way. Ritchie has proved beyond all question that he is a real fighter, in every way a champion. Rivers is quite as clever in his boxing, but has not the ability to hit short and straight to the mark which has made Ritchie so feared and respected by opponents.

Rivers is matched to meet his rival of old, Al Volagast, on January 23, and if he wins will make another trip to this city to meet the best men in his class. The McMahon brothers are in correspondence with his manager and will make an attractive offer to him to cross gloves with Johnny Dundee.

The offer of Billy Gibson, manager of the Garden A. C., to meet the winner of the ten-round bout in Madison Square Garden on Monday night between Bob McAllister, of California, and Mike Gibbons, of St. Paul, was accepted yesterday by George Chip, the self-styled middleweight champion of the world, in view of the fact that he has two victories over Frank Klaus.

A series of battles is being planned by Gibson, who is the best middleweight boxer.

Roy Kenney, the middleweight boxer who will cross gloves with "Young" Weinart at Brown's Gymnasium on Tuesday night, is credited with having a longer reach than any other man in the ring. His reach is seventy-seven inches, which is two inches greater than that of Jim Jeffries and almost five inches greater than Jack Johnson's. Kenney has twice boxed his way around the world. He hopes to win decisively over Weinart and then go after Levinsky, Bob McAllister and the others.

"Porky" Flynn is training hard for his match with "Battling" Levinsky at the National Sporting Club of America on next Tuesday night. Flynn is more than anxious to win, then go right on after the other big men who are boxing in the local clubs.

"Sapper" O'Neill, the British lightweight, has been matched to box ten rounds with Frank Adams at Madison Square Garden on Monday night as a preliminary to the McAllister-Gibbons bout.

Patsy Kline, the former amateur boxer, who is making good with a rush in the ranks of the professionals, will box a ten-round bout at the New Polo Athletic Club to-night with Jimmy Duffy, a clever youngster of some ability. The bout means much to Kline, for Billy Gibson has promised him a match with Frankie Fleming if he makes good.

## BLAKE TO BOX CARPENTIER

Bout Arranged To Be for \$10,-  
000 Purse and Side Bets.

London, Jan. 8.—A bout has been arranged between Bonifant Blake, the English champion middleweight, and Georges Carpentier, the French champion, for \$2,500 a side and a purse of \$10,000.

Blake defeated "The Dixie Kid," the American pugilist, in a twenty-round bout in London on January 1. Carpentier in his last fight, which took place at London on December 8, knocked out Bonifant Wells in one round.

## Ekwanok Almost Sure to Get Amateur Golf Plum

Question Will Be Settled at  
Meeting of the National  
Association To-night.

## MR. WATSON EXPLAINS THE HOMEWOOD CASE

Chicago Club Put Down Among  
Those for Open Tourney, but  
Declines the Honor.

Contrary to certain unfounded rumors floating around recently, the Ekwanok Country Club, of Manchester, Vt., will be pleased to hold the next national amateur golf championship tournament over its course if the delegates so vote.

Officials of the Ekwanok Club held a special meeting in Philadelphia on Wednesday night, when they decided positively, and immediately Clarence M. Clark, the club's secretary, sent a telegram to Robert C. Watson, president of the United States Golf Association, to the effect that Ekwanok would gladly take the tournament.

As the matter now stands, the final selection rests in the hands of the delegates, who must vote at the annual meeting at the Waldorf-Astoria to-night either for Ekwanok, the Mayfield Country Club or the Country Club of Detroit.

Although Ekwanok has been for years the scene of midsummer tournaments, it has never held anything more important in the championship line than the inter-collegiate tournament a few seasons ago. Strictly a summer course, Ekwanok rounds into its best condition by July, and from then on until late in the fall the turf is all that could be desired.

Among the prominent amateurs belonging to Ekwanok are Walter J. Travis, who is an honorary member; Fred Herreshoff, Hamilton K. Kerr, Frederick Martin, Archie McIlwaine, George H. Crocker, James L. Taylor and Edward Clark, Jr.

When the president of the United States Golf Association read the statement in The Tribune yesterday to the effect that the parent body had been charged with treating the Homewood Country Club unfavorably, he expressed surprise, and declared that the Western organization had received a reply to its original letter which made application for the amateur championship, and to back up his assertion produced the correspondence that had passed between his association and the club.

Upon receipt of the club's application for the amateur championship John Reid, Jr., secretary of the United States Golf Association, replied to C. F. Thompson, president of the Homewood Country Club as follows:

"I am in receipt of your favor of the 19th in which the Homewood Country Club makes application to hold the amateur championship of 1914 and beg to state that I will lay same before our executive committee."

"At the last annual meeting of the association it was voted to recommend to the executive committee that Section 6 of the bylaws should be changed so that the executive committee should be authorized to make out a list of at least three courses at which these championships should be held, and to present such list at the annual meeting—the delegates to select the courses for holding the various championships from the list submitted. I will place your letter before the committee and see that due consideration is given your application in preparing the list of clubs."

On December 27 Mr. Reid wrote Jonathan G. Latimer, secretary of the Homewood Country Club, that pursuant to Section 6 of the bylaws, as amended, he took pleasure to advise that Homewood had been designated by the executive committee as one of the clubs whose course was suitable for holding the open championship of 1914; also, that the actual choice of the three courses would be decided by a vote of the delegates. Mr. Reid added that one of his objects in writing was to find out if Homewood would consent to holding the contest, if awarded.

Then came a letter from G. E. Biles, the new secretary of the Homewood Country Club, to the effect that if the open championship should be awarded to Homewood that organization would be most happy to accept. The surprise of the U. S. G. A. executive office can then be imagined, when, a few days later, under date of January 3, the Homewood secretary sent another letter, as follows:

"Due to a misapprehension on my part, I wrote you on December 30 that the Homewood Country Club would consent to the holding of the open championship of 1914 on their course."

"I am obliged to withdraw this letter, as authority was given by the board of directors to accept only in case the amateur tournament was offered."

"The error in this matter is entirely mine, and I sincerely trust that my mistake has not caused you or the executive committee any great inconvenience."

On Monday last Watson sent the following telegram to Biles:

"I am obliged to you for your letter of the 30th inst. Would you consent to hold open championship if awarded? Time so short executive committee cannot make other selection. Look for favorable reply. Wire my expense."

The next day Mr. Watson received this answer from the Homewood secretary:

"Officers have no authority to make tender for anything but amateur. Very sorry."

The foregoing would seem to show that Homewood has received every consideration from the parent organization, and as Mr. Watson further explained in talking over the situation last night, Homewood was not named as a possible course for the amateur championship simply because the great majority of opinions as expressed by the members of the executive committee favored the other clubs. Furthermore, he added, extra care had to be taken in the selection this year because of an expected foreign entry. In other words, the president expects to see a number of the leading amateurs of Great Britain come over for the next United States Golf Association amateur championship tournament.

In his opinion, however, the coming of the Britons will depend largely upon the selection of the course. They do not want a repetition of their experience at the Chicago Golf Club two years ago, when Norman E. Hunter was overcome, as he had been, Ekwanok is cool in summer, as nearly all mountain courses are.

The chances of the Manchester organization receiving the majority of votes at to-night's meeting are also increased, so rumor has it, because of a possible withdrawal of Mayfield. So far as the Country Club of Detroit is concerned, the opinion seems to be that that course is as

## ST. NICHOLAS THE VICTOR IN WEIRD HOCKEY MATCH

Crescents Beaten by Point in  
Game More Like Shinty than  
Anything Else.

## GREEN MEN ON BOTH SIDES

Follow Puck All Round the Ice  
and Are Sadly Lacking in  
Shooting at Goal.

The St. Nicholas Hockey Club defeated the seven of the Crescent Athletic Club in an Amateur League championship game by 5 goals to 2 in a rather un